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"DAVE" IS NOT THE SUPREME COURT!

By Victor L. Berger.

THE grafters of Milwaukee want no new charter for the city. At least they want no charter that they could not frame up entirely to suit themselves.

David S. Rose, mayor of Milwaukee, by the grace of the corporations and the venality of the illiterate element among the Poles, Italians and Slavonians, has declared the law creating the charter convention "unconstitutional."

It is really fortunate for the city of Milwaukee that Mr. Rose is not the supreme court of the state of Wisconsin.

And every act of the legislature which has been signed by the governor and regularly published is a law of the state. It holds good and must be obeyed until another act of the legislature has repealed it or until it is declared unconstitutional by the supreme court.

And Mr. Dave Rose and his crew, by not obeying the law, put themselves into the law-breakers' column. This, however, means nothing to a crowd of pirates who have been indicted over and over again by public opinion and by the courts of the land.

In a letter to Frank M. Hoyt, delegate to the convention, who had written, asking the mayor that the city should defray the legitimate expenses of the convention—for stationery, printing, etc.—David Rose "concedes a point" by allowing the convention to meet at the city hall.

He objects, however, to giving the delegates copies of the charter or city ordinances, although hundreds of copies are rotting away in the basement of the city hall. And he also promises to veto any money appropriation to pay the running expenses of the convention.

Dave repeats that the law authorizing the convention is absolutely null and void. He decides the legislature cannot enact a charter for this or any other city. And he needs no supreme court either to help him in his decision. For he is the mayor of Milwaukee by the grace of the corporations and the venality of the illiterate element of the Poles, Italians and Slavonians.

Dave "charges" that the whole scheme is of Social-Democratic origin and the attempt is being made to instill Social-Democratic doctrines upon the fundamental law of this municipality. He maintains that the law was drafted by Socialist leaders and that Victor L. Berger, Henry Campbell and Robert McMynn effected a combination to organize the convention and were successful.

The Socialists have prepared a charter, says Dave, and have secured pledges from candidates of other parties to support the Socialist charter if elected.

The law is an "abortion," says he.

In conclusion he adds:

"And I ('I' means the master grafter in this case) wish to say that I will not become a party directly or indirectly, to any plan or scheme whereby it shall be made even possible for the Social-Democratic party, by itself, or in combination with the professed members of other political parties, to make a charter for Milwaukee. Nor will I consent that the public moneys shall be appropriated to any such use, for I can conceive of no greater injury that could be done to the interests I have been sworn to protect than to have a charter framed to accord with the doctrines of that party."

Now I do not know what "interests" Dave has sworn to "protect" this time. He has always protected some "interests" in the past—as for instance the street railway interests, the railroad interests, the gambling trust interests and several other "interests." And it is only reasonable to believe that he has "sworn" to protect them again.

However, what is this to us?

If any one man may at his pleasure annul a law and make it inoperative by declaring it "unconstitutional," where is this to end? There are men in the city hall occupying the high-salaried offices who would like to declare every law against bribery, extortion, grafting and stealing unconstitutional—and make Milwaukee a thieves' republic, like Sparta, after its greatness had vanished.

In the eyes of the law-breaker every law is an "abortion."

As to the constitutionality of the law there can be no question. Lawyers like Gen. F. C. Winkler, Frank Hoyt, ex-City Attorney Charles Hamilton, City Attorney John T. Kelly, F. W. von Cotzhausen and others equally able, have declared the law constitutional.

Says Gen. Fred C. Winkler:

"The Legislature had it in its power to provide for the election of delegates in such manner as it thought fit. For these reasons the law is in my judgment clearly not unconstitutional."

"While the granting of a charter, or the enactment of a general law, which shall operate locally, is clearly for the state, the city or locality affected by it has necessarily a very deep interest in its provisions."

"It is reasonable and just and legal that the city should pay its necessary expenses. This would be so, in my judgment, if there were nothing said upon the subject in the law, but the law itself enacts: 'Cities of the first class are empowered to appropriate such moneys from their funds as shall be sufficient to carry out the provisions of this act and to provide for the compensation of delegates.'"

"The city has often and will again spend of its money for the purpose of promoting or opposing legislation, which shall effect its local interests. There can be no doubt of the power."

Another prominent lawyer, F. W. von Cotzhausen, also a member of the charter convention, has sent a letter to President Cornelius Corcoran, of the common council, saying he has no doubt of the legal status and justice of the convention's claim.

He says the mayor seems to have left out of consideration the fact that it is not a self-constituted body, but brought into existence by the legislature and an ordinance of the city. He says the council, and not the delegates, took the initiative, and now it is proposed to "disown its own creation."

He tells President Corcoran that he has resigned from the convention's committee on law and "respectfully declines to appear at the gates of our city hall to beg for the necessary means of subsistence" when in his opinion "the act even carries by implication all means necessary to accomplish its ultimate object, requiring an appropriation sufficiently large to meet all reasonable requirements."

Mr. Cotzhausen says such conventions are common nowadays, and their legal standing never has been questioned.

However, Dave Rose, Democratic politician, and leader of a gang of plunderers, declares the law to be unconstitutional.

But Dave was never regarded a good lawyer by anybody, except by some Hebrews, who had crooked bankruptcy cases and who succeeded in paying only ten cents on the dollar.

In the Supreme Court Dave Rose has no standing at all. One of the worst rebukes ever administered to any lawyer in this state was given to him some years ago when one of his many shady transactions went up to the Supreme Court. He was told in substance that he was a grafter of the worst kind—which, of course, no man in Milwaukee who has even a passing acquaintance with Dave, had ever doubted, even before the Supreme Court so decided.

No, sir, Rose's "fame" does not rest upon his knowledge of the law. As a prominent Democrat said: "Rose's fame rests upon things heralded in the alleys and by-ways of our slums."

And four different grand juries were anxious enough to get hold of these things so heralded.

But Mr. Rose finds fault with the proportional representation. He would, no doubt, prefer that one-third of the people—about the strength of the Democratic party—should elect all forty-nine delegates. Just

The city of Winnipeg has decided to own itself and to brush off the corporation parasites that are currently believed to be a part of the modern American municipality's necessary evils. It will spend ten million dollars to convert all public service corporation property into municipal property, including street cars and even the flour mills! Here you see the idea of what are public utilities creeping along a bit! Already it is boasting that it will be the first American city to actually own itself, and that is a big thing to boast of, we must confess. Municipal ownership is not Socialism, but its direction is right, for it dispossesses private capital, and also cuts off a fruitful source of public corruption, which usually helps to render the people helpless to look out for their own interests. This sounds like business! Hooray for Winnipeg!

In Germany, where the Social-Democrats are strong, the kaiser has been forced to take cognizance of the unemployed situation. Says a dispatch:

"The same government that drove the army of unemployed from the imperial palace a few weeks ago is doing more to relieve their sufferings than is the government of the free America. The kaiser, who has no fear, but rather likes, to be paternal, may chastise his subjects when they become unruly, but he has ordered that all unemployed be given work on great public undertakings, and thousands of men, starving a week ago, are now cleaning and repairing public buildings, building bridges, fixing the roadbeds of the government railways, and instructions have been sent to all municipal authorities to take up the same policy."

No ruler in civilized nations is as this third—the lowest third of Milwaukee, morally, mentally and ethically—elected all the twelve aldermen-at-large.

Neither would Dave find fault with the charter convention if he had been given the power to appoint all forty-nine delegates—with a fat salary attached.

We work without salary or remuneration of any kind, which is itself an "abortion" in the eyes of Dave Rose.

In the past it was not customary for the people to elect delegates to such charter conventions. Even for this law it was originally proposed that the mayor should appoint ten, the chamber of commerce ten, the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association ten, the Real Estate Board ten, the Bar Association ten. In this way we should have fifty delegates, but all of the same type.

I ask: Would fifty men appointed in that way make up a more constitutional or a more representative convention than the forty-nine selected by a general vote of the different parties according to the proportional strength of these parties?

Are not all shades of opinion well represented in our charter convention? Most of the Democrats and Republicans were picked out by the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association. Others were elected by the two old parties directly. The Socialists selected their delegates as is customary in our party—by a referendum.

It is probably as able and representative a body of men as could be gotten together in Milwaukee today with all shades of opinion represented.

Even the grafters have sent their ablest man—for Rose is it not—and a man who can "point with pride" not only to a thorough knowledge of city affairs, but also to right indictments.

What more does Dave want?

The mayor's claim that a scheme to have a charter convention for the city of Milwaukee is a "Social-Democratic scheme" is ridiculous. And it is not true.

Of course, I advocated, and still advocate, a charter convention for Milwaukee. But so does every thoughtful citizen who realizes that our present city charter is obsolete, unsatisfactory and holding out opportunities for grafting and grafters.

Nor is David S. Rose telling the truth when he says that the Social-Democratic party has a charter prepared to which every Social-Democrat is pledged. We have no such draft, and every Social-Democratic delegate will tell the mayor so.

I have personally prepared a draft covering a few quite important points. That is my privilege.

However, my draft has not been discussed nor adopted by our party or our delegation, and is binding upon nobody.

And Dave Rose lies when he says that "Victor L. Berger undertook to secure pledges from candidates of other parties to support the charter of the Social-Democratic party in the event of their elections."

The Social-Democratic party is concerned about three points only: First, we want home rule. Second, we want majority rule. Third, we want to secure for the city the right to own and manage its public utilities whenever the city gets ready to do so, and the majority of the people so decides.

But it is true that the men who want this charter convention to be a success—the men who want to frame for the city of Milwaukee the best charter possible under the present system—and the best charter any city in America has ever had—have organized this convention.

Dave Rose had beforehand declared his animosity to the new charter and to the charter convention.

The majority organized the convention, and looked out that the convention should not "fall among thieves, would strip it of its raiment and wound it and then leave it half dead," (Luke X, 30.)—to use a parable.

There was no understanding of any kind excepting that the committees should be made up in the best possible way for work. And that they should be made up according to proportional representation as the spirit of the law directs.

If anybody was favored at all it was the Democrats, who got a little more than they were entitled to according to their strength in the convention.

However, the majority in any convention or legislative body has not only the right, but also the duty to organize that body.

And this majority gave everybody a fair show. Did the pirate king ever do that?

The Social-Democrats are deeply interested in the new charter, of course.

We want a progressive charter—a model charter, suited to the conditions of a modern great city.

We want a charter that will block the opportunities for graft and grafters.

The Social-Democratic party was a great factor in the awakening of the civic conscience in Milwaukee. And we want to instill as much as possible of that new civic conscience, of that new social conscience, into the new charter.

And we will not let a well-known grafter like Dave Rose scare us away from doing our duty—even if he is mayor of Milwaukee. (By the way, Rose could not be mayor in any other country except possibly Russia and China.)

The Social-Democrats will not run away. Nor will any other delegates, I firmly believe.

And the other delegates will very soon learn to count the Social-Democrats among their most useful members.

As I said before, the Social-Democrats want a modern charter and a progressive charter.

But otherwise we have no special axes to grind, no "hobbies" to ride.

We Social-Democrats cannot abolish the capitalist system in Milwaukee alone. And we will not try.

We are all dove-tailed into this system for some years to come—all of us, the proletarians as well as the middle class and the capitalists.

We must find ways and means to live together in this city—and in every other city—peaceably and happily. Or at least as peaceably and happily as we can.

absolute today. The progress of the world will not stand it. As in the kaiser's case, he could bring down the iron heel one day, but only to recede quickly from that position the next. Rulers in this country might well take their cue from the capitulation of the kaiser.

Robert Hunter has issued a public address to the commissioner of police of New York City, the mayor of the city and the governor of the state, reviewing the conduct of the police administration at the Union Square affair of March 28. He presents the testimony of disinterested eye witnesses and urges that the present methods of the department in handling people on public occasions it not only mischievous, but decidedly dangerous.

The police on that day were under charge of the notorious Inspector Schmittberger, who ordered innocent bystanders clubbed and ridden down in a most shameful way and who repeatedly declared that his police club "was mightier than the Constitution." An unemployed demonstration has been arranged for that day, but at the last minute the authorities had arbitrarily refused to allow the people to congregate at one side of Union Square, and a large number of police were stationed there to head the crowd off. Under Schmittberger the people who were in the vicinity were handled with a police brutality hardly believable, passers by, shoppers and others being maltreated without discrimination. This went on for two hours and then a recently landed Russian, who had fled from police tyranny in his native land, returned to the scene with a bomb, with the evident intention of resisting the police tyranny by the mode of resistance resorted to in a land where the people do not rule. The bomb exploded prematurely and killed a bystander and mortally wounded the young Russian himself.

The facts that Comrade Hunter presents are such as stir the blood with indignation, and his witnesses are all non-Socialists, including the ditty press of the metropolis. The only paper to condone the police was the grafters' organ, the *Tammany Times* (issue of April 4) which said the police should have "shot down a dozen." He asks the authorities to consider two points, viz.: Whether the right to issue permits for mass meetings should be used to suppress the right of free speech, or simply used in regulating that right; and, secondly, whether the use of policemen's clubs shall supercede courts and juries in dealing with those thought to be violating the law.

As a matter of fact, the unemployed demonstration promoters had not asked for the use of Union Square. It is not suited to such a purpose. It was the plan to hold the meeting in a small and almost unused street at one side of the square, but the park commissioners were asked for the use of a small park building on that side of the square to be used as a sort of speaker's stand. This being refused it was decided to have the speaking done from vans in the street.

At the time of the Lexow investigation, Schmittberger was one of the unwilling witnesses who were confused into making most damaging admissions relative to New York police methods. He admitted on the stand that in his district he had made a practice of collecting hush-money from the keepers of dens of prostitution, and had been guilty of other like pieces of crookedness. Yet here we see him still, in authority in the police department of the great metropolis. Such a creature may be always looked to to play the inhuman monster and to help on methods toward the people that are well calculated to lead to violent retaliation. It was the same kind of police lawlessness that produced the Haymarket affair in Chicago.

SOME EDITORIAL OBSERVATIONS.

By Frederic Heath.

In the canton of Zurich, Switzerland, the Socialist candidate, Ernst, was elected as a member of the cabinet, receiving 62,571 votes. In the whole canton 43 Socialists were elected to municipal offices.

"Socialism Made Plain" is a dandy book to hand to the man you want to interest in our ideas. Fifteen cents, this office. It is big value for the money expended.

In the election recently the Socialists carried three seats at West Ham, England. One of these is a new one. Jack Williams left his own ward to run in another against a radical anti-Socialist. The anti-Socialist was defeated. In the Tidal Basin ward two Socialists were also elected out of a total of three seats.

New York Socialists are collecting money to aid the Socialist members of the second Duma in Russia, who were imprisoned when they insisted upon enacting laws in the interest of the people. So far \$633 has been raised. Donations should be sent to Dr. Maxim Romin, 306 E. Fifteenth Street, New York.

Not content with making and laying its own asphalt pavements, with owning its own telephones, with furnishing power for manufacturers, Winnipeg has now decided to own its own street railway system, and to drive all marauding public service companies out of business. It expects to spend ten millions to do it, and feels that it will be money well spent at that. Winnipeg is a Canadian city. Which American city will be the first to fall into line?

There's nothing new under the sun. Now its concrete boats! The Italian navy is building them of reinforced concrete and thus far they have undergone most severe tests successfully. Powerfully armored steel boats have been run against them with full force and have failed to stove them in. Concrete seems to be almost getting in the class with electricity in helping to prolong the life of capitalism, although such developments cannot give it youth or save it from hurrying on through its successive phases.

The students of the Chicago University last week held a mock convention and voted on their preference for national presidential candidates. And greatly to the surprise and chagrin of the authorities Debs received three hundred votes and ran a close race for first place. Turn where we will we see that same evidence of the growth of the ideas of Socialism and such a development, such a phenomena in history points to almost inevitable social change. The conscience of mankind, moved by the economic development, is crying out for right economic relations.

Contrary to the reports sent to the rest of the world by the capitalist press agencies, the municipal elections in France have resulted in a satisfactory increase in the Social-Democratic vote. In Paris, for instance, the vote increased from 95,164 to 105,461 in 1908, on the first ballot.

In the Northern part of France the increase in the Socialist vote was noteworthy. In Lille the vote increased from 12,610 to 16,506.

The returns from some other towns are as follows: Roubaix, 9,997 to 11,277; Leus, 2,995 to 4,951; Lievin, 2,601 to 3,621; Tourcoing, 1,733 to 3,150; Wattrelos, 1,741 to 2,276 and Limoge, 14,000 to 18,000.

A correspondent writes in regard to the address made in Milwaukee shortly after election, in which Mayor Rose launched broadsides against the Socialists. They were broadsides of falsehood, but he had a boozing audience, and any-

thing he said was sure to get a hand. The correspondent asks particularly as to one charge, i. e., that this paper on January 11, said, "Workingmen should use force and violence," to quote Rose's own words. Like the other citations by Rose, this one is false in every particular. It is false as to itself, for there was nothing of the sort to be found anywhere in the issue of Jan. 11, and it is false as indicating the sort of matter published or advice given to workingmen in these columns. But really, we would prefer not to dignify Rose's shameful prevarications by even this much attention.

We notice that our Socialist exchanges in Australia are giving their columns to conscienceless American quack doctors to ply their catch-penny games, and we note it with great regret. It goes without saying that a Socialist paper, as the representative of a clean cause, should keep itself clean, which it cannot do if it offers itself as a medium by which the medical fakir can practice his wiles upon the workingmen readers. In this country also there are Socialist papers that sell space to the worst of harpies—to scoundrels who have been exposed over and over again in the capitalist press. It is time to clean up.

Says the bulletin of the publishing house of Macmillan:

H. G. Wells is in a way to be declared in certain circles one of the most dangerous of sociological teachers. It is perhaps more than a coincidence that two professors of sociology, each holding a prominent position in one of our high universities, have spoken of "New Worlds for Old" in terms that are strikingly similar. One of them says, "It is the wisest and sanest championship of extensive social reconstruction that I have ever met with. Mr. Wells has performed an intellectual feat of real distinction, and I have no doubt many will regard his book as 'dangerously persuasive.'" The other says, "I find Mr. Wells' book one of the most interesting presentations of Socialism I have ever read. I feel like saying to Mr. Wells, 'Almost thou persuadest me to be a Socialist!'"

The Rev. Harvey Dee Brown was in charge of one of the most influential churches in Kenosha, Wis. But he followed too closely in the footsteps of the Carpenter of Nazareth and tried to make his church minister to the working people, who are the salt of the earth. The church was supported by rich men who on week days were exploiting the workers in even more than approved style.

The preacher found himself painfully up against class antagonisms and class struggles.

To speak the interests of the lowly in the community was to antagonize the rich men who practically had the church subsidized. He could not occupy such a position, and resigned. He is now a Socialist lecturer.

The rich men at once saw to it that the new pastor of the church should be a "safe" man, from the standpoint of their own commercialism, and so it is announced that they have secured a minister from Michigan, "who is known for his opposition to Socialist ideals."

The church will never get back to Christ so long as the coils of the commercial serpent are around it. The capitalists need the church in their business and they do not mean to let go.

Unless we are much mistaken there is a fellow living almost next door to you that is wondering why you, a Socialist, do not put some of your literature in his way. Eh, how about it?

ON THE RIGHT ROAD TO VICTORY!

The recent national convention of the Socialist party was the most cheering Socialist convention the writer ever attended—and I have had the pleasure of attending every national convention of our party since it was started in 1898. It was larger in numbers and riper in Socialist thought than all the conventions which preceded it. And, comrades, this means that now we are on the right road for victory!

Let us do our utmost to roll up a million and a half votes for Debs and Hanford next November. Let us speak at the ballot box in a voice that will send a shudder through the old parties and their satellites.

To do this we must above all things put out Socialist literature. Every Socialist paper sent to a man who is "coming our way" is a nail in the coffin of capitalism. Send in your contribution for some of these nails! Contribute to the Wisconsin Literature Fund for the national campaign of 1908!

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The Reason for Socialism

By H. ESELL

"Always be ready to give an answer to any one who asks your reason for the hope that you cherish." —Epistle of Peter.

The Kingdom of Heaven.

But before discussing these great laws further, it will be necessary to return to our discussion of the Kingdom of Heaven, and fix in mind the meaning of that term as Christ used it. It is not strange that the theologians and early translators should have misinterpreted it. In teaching these great truths, Christ was often compelled to use expressions that conveyed a double meaning, or that so expressed his real meaning as to prevent his merciless persecutors from "catching him in his word." As another illustration of this note his parables.

We have already stated that the Kingdom of Heaven refers to a condition of human society on this earth. It is now our purpose to present the proof of this, and to show that the laws of life, and principles taught by Christ can be, and will be practiced by men only as this Kingdom of Heaven is step by step established. Moreover, it is a mistaken idea that all men must be made good before it can be established, or before they will obey the laws operative in it. The process works just the other way. The Kingdom of Heaven must be established before men can be made good, or before they will obey its laws, and what is still more strange its establishment does not depend alone upon men themselves, so much as the forces, the conditions, and the processes of evolution and development outside of men.

To establish this fact recall these words: "The Kingdom of Heaven is like unto a drag-net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind." As the Kingdom of Heaven comes little by little upon us, all are in a sense included in it, and partake more or less of its benefits. There are those who are utterly unable to either understand or appreciate the principles of human solidarity, and yet as this spirit takes hold upon men they too are included, and blessed in spite of themselves until their opposition is finally overcome, and in the consummation of the age they will finally be "destroyed," that is men of their class will no longer exist. Man is what his environment makes him. He reflects the spirit of the age in which he lives. All that any man can do to help his fellow man into the light is to point out the changes that take place from time to time in that environment, also the progress and development made in industrial and economic life, and, if possible, induce him to change his ideas, customs, and laws to conform to these new conditions. If these changes are made all is well again for a time, if not misery and suffering ensue, and progress is checked.

John, the Baptist and the Kingdom of Heaven.

Let us see now if this will in any wise agree with the teaching of Christ on this subject. We find this expression used for the first time by John the Baptist in Matthew 3: 2. "Repent ye, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." Now what did he mean? The world was never darker than at this time. There never had been such misery and suffering, and despair as when John the Baptist began his preaching. "Repent ye," (the Greek is *metanoie*, which means to change one's views and purpose) and that is exactly what he meant. Change your ideas, your effete customs, your pernicious laws to conform to the progress and development of the times. The preachers tell us that "to repent" means to be sorry. These people to whom John the Baptist was preaching were sorry unto despair, but it did not, and could not help them, and so in this year 1900 after Christ you may be sorry for your lives blasted by gold, your poverty and your distress until your eyes turn to tears you cannot be helped until you change your ideas about things, your customs, your laws to conform to the changed mode of producing things, and to the advance made in progress and civilization. Until you do this you may expect the increase of crime, of suicide, and of insanity; the extension of poverty on the one hand and the concentration of wealth on the other; the spread of ignorance, intemperance, and vice, and the continuation of cruel wars of conquest.

But John the Baptist further says, "the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." Yes it was at hand then, it is at hand now. A knowledge of the laws and principles that are to govern in it, permit its establishment at any time, and from that time to this is made advance more and more toward the ideal of Christ. Little by little by means of man's inventive skill, by the operation of the laws of progress, by teaching, by the struggle of class with class a constant advance has been unconsciously made toward this ideal. Today we are expectant, we are preparing to make another advance, and from now on much of our progress will be made consciously and without the awful cost of life and shedding of blood that has marked the past.

Jesus, and the Kingdom of Heaven.

The second time that the expression the Kingdom of Heaven is used in the gospels is in Matthew 4: 17, where Jesus uses it himself, and in exactly the same sense in which John the Baptist used it, and the same explanation will apply.

Jesus understood that its establishment would be by the slow process of evolution, as the following will plainly show: "The Kingdom of Heaven is like unto leaven which a woman took, and hid in three measures of meal, till the whole was leavened." Matt. 13: 33.

"So is the Kingdom of God as if a man should cast seed into the ground, and should sleep and rise, night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how. For the earth ingeth forth fruit of herself, first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear; but when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come." Mark 4: 26-29.

"Whereunto shall we liken the Kingdom of God or with what comparison shall we compare it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown in the earth, is less than all the seeds which be in the earth, but when it is sown it groweth up and becometh greater than all herbs, and shooteth out great branches, so that the fowls of the air may lodge under the shadow of it." Mark 4: 30-32.

The Advance of the Kingdom of Heaven Hindered.

Here Mark tells us that "with many such parable spake he the word unto them, as they were able to hear it." So we are led to believe that his hearers were like many of today, rather inclined to be impatient, and that their minds were unable to grasp this part of Christ's message. He saw too far ahead for their limited vision. On one occasion he spake a parable which they thought the Kingdom of God should immediately appear. See Luke 19: 11-27. This parable implies that period of time is required for its complete fulfillment. At another time the Pharisees demanded of him when the Kingdom of God should come. Whereupon he answered: "The Kingdom of God cometh not with observation; neither shall they say Lo here, or there: for the Kingdom of God is in the midst of you!" Luke 17: 20. That is, it is upon the earth within the power of the people. In all of this Jesus was trying to show that the Kingdom of God is not a thing that can be pointed out so as to be seen or heard or perceived by the five senses, but that it comes quietly, and just as fast as men conform to the laws of their being, and permit the laws of love, justice, and truth to operate among them. This refutes the old, worn-out idea that the Kingdom of God is a state or condition of the spirit life only. These words of Christ announce that it is already among us, and its benefits increase, and the significance of its laws broaden, and their application become more and more necessary as man evolves from one state to another, and as he makes greater progress in material things. This is especially true if the masses of the people are left free to adjust themselves to these new conditions. If they are not left free to do so, much harm results by man running counter to the laws of the Kingdom of Heaven, and this explains why there is much suffering today.

Christ even foresaw this, and boldly denounces those who are guilty. "But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye shut the Kingdom of Heaven against men; for ye enter not in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to enter." Matthew 23: 13. If Christ were on earth today, he would only have to substitute, "But woe unto you high financiers, low politicians, commercialists, demagogues, mammon worshippers, hired editors, and preachers, because ye shut the Kingdom of Heaven against men; for ye enter not in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to enter." Equally well could it be said of these as Christ said of the lawyers, "For ye load men with burdens grievous to be borne, and ye yourselves touch not the burdens with one of your fingers." Luke 11: 46, and of those who are today pretending to teach people, "Woe unto you for ye have taken away the key of knowledge; ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered." Luke 11: 52.

THE NATIONAL SOCIALIST PLATFORM

The Socialist party, in national convention assembled, in entering upon the campaign of 1908, again presents itself to the people as the party of the working class, and as such it appeals for the support of all workers of the United States and of all citizens who sympathize with the great and just cause of labor.

We are at this moment in the midst of one of those industrial breakdowns that periodically paralyze the life of the nation. The much-boasted era of our national prosperity has been followed by one of general misery. Factories, mills and mines are closed, work is abandoned, and millions of men, ready, willing and able to provide the nation with all the necessities and comforts of life, find themselves in idleness and starvation. Within recent times the trusts and monopolies have attained an enormous and menacing development. They have acquired the power to dictate to us the terms upon which we shall be allowed to live. The trusts fix the prices of bread, meat and sugar, of coal, oil and clothing, of our raw material and machinery, of all the necessities of life and even the prices of commodities.

The ruling class has seized upon the present desperate condition of the workers as an opportunity for a renewed onslaught on the organized labor movement. The highest courts of the country have within the last year rendered decision after decision depriving the workers of rights which they had won by generations of struggle.

The attempt to destroy the Western Federation of Miners, although defeated by the solidarity of organized labor and the Socialist movement, revealed the existence of a far-reaching and unscrupulous conspiracy on the part of the ruling powers against the organizations of labor.

In their efforts to take the lives of the faithful leaders of the miners the conspirators violated the state laws and the federal constitution in a manner seldom equaled even in a country so completely dominated as is the United States by the profit-seeking class.

The congress of the United States has shown its contempt for the interests of labor as plainly and unmistakably as have the other branches of government. The legislation for which the labor organizations have continuously petitioned has been rejected. The same legislation apparently passed by their benefit has been so distorted as to make those whom it pretended to help.

The working class of the United States cannot expect any adequate remedy for its wrongs from the present ruling class or from the dominant parties. So long as a small number of individuals are permitted to use the common resources of the world's wealth for their private profit in competition with each other and for the exploitation of their fellowmen, industrial depressions are bound to occur at certain intervals. No currency reform or other legislative measure proposed by capitalist reformers can avail against these fatal results of a system of utter anarchy in production.

So long as the wealth production of the country is based on individual competition the fierce struggles of this competition will inevitably lead to combinations and trusts. No amount of government regulation, or of publicity, or of restrictive legislation will arrest the natural course of modern industrial development.

So long as our courts, legislatures and executive offices remain in the hands of the ruling class and their agents, our government will be used in the interests of these classes as against the toilers.

Political parties are but the expression of economic class interests. The Republican, the Democratic, and the so-called "Independence" parties and all parties other than the Socialist

THE STATUE WITH THE DOUBLE ASPECT

A PRESENT DAY FACT TOLD IN ALLEGORY.

How the Hideous Aspect Was Pointed Out and How the Man Who Denied Its Existence Was Helped to the Plum Tree.

A number of earnest art students were looking at a colossal statue. They appeared perplexed, and that was not unnatural, for the image was really a peculiar one. As you examined it from one point of view you received an impression of beauty and benignity; but on the reverse side the lines were bad and the expression very cruel and sinister.

In front of the good side of the statue stood a large crowd of persons, who from time to time fell upon their knees and lifted up their hands to the great figure, believing, so it seems, that the object of their adoration had been dropped straight out of the heavens, so that men might see how a perfect human being would appear.

"That is all very well," said one of the students to a worshipper, "but why do you ignore the other side? If you will only have some courage and look sharply for yourselves, you can see perfectly that in some places it is nothing less than hideous. As for me, I tell you frankly that I do not believe the image came out of the clouds at all. It is my conviction that the whole thing was made by men, who put into it the best that there was in them, and the worst."

These remarks occasioned a great hubbub in the crowd, some few men declaring that in their hearts they had always agreed with what the speaker said, and the majority protesting loudly that the student was half blind, since he did not declare the statue to be altogether admirable.

While they were yet discussing the matter, a little man stepped briskly to the front, patting the children benevolently upon their heads as he went by. "Young man," said he, pointing a finger at the art-loving one, "I want to shame you out of the conceit that it is smart to be skeptical about the perfection of this statue here. If you concentrate your attention upon the good points that it has, you will have no time to criticize the bad. Perchance you cannot understand why an ugly line should be beautiful; but, tell me, can you understand how lines and angles ever came to be at all? If not, how do you presume to set yourself up as an authority on proportion, perspective, and the like?"

During this harangue the student busied himself with a little handbook of anatomy; but the remarks were by no means lost upon the crowd of worshippers, who, boosting the little man upon their shoulders, started off with him in the direction of a plum tree bearing a large, much sought for specimen of fruit, which hung too high to be accessible to men on foot, and which even eluded the efforts of a personage with a big stick that he had borrowed especially for the occasion.

"Oh," said the student thought-

keeping with the increased productiveness of machinery.

(b) By securing to every worker a rest period of not less than a day and a half each week.

(c) By securing a more effectual inspection of workshops and factories.

(d) By forbidding the employment of children under sixteen years of age.

(e) By forbidding the interstate transportation of the products of child labor, of convict labor and of all unsanitary products.

(f) By abolishing official charity and substituting in its place compulsory insurance against unemployment, illness, accidents, invalidism, old age and death.

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14. The abolition of the veto power of the president.

15. That the constitution be made amendable by majority vote.

16. The enactment of further measures for general education and for the conserving of health. The bureau of education to be made into a department. The creation of a department of public health.

17. The separation of the present bureau of labor from the department of commerce and labor, and the establishment of a department of labor.

18. That all judges be elected by the people for short terms, and that the power to issue injunctions should be curbed by immediate legislation of labor.

19. The free administration of justice.

Such measures of relief as we may be able to force from capitalism are but a preparation of the workers to seize the whole powers of government, in order that they may thereby lay hold of the whole system of industry, and thus come to their rightful inheritance.

fully, as he beheld the exhorter borne upon the shoulders of the orthodox, "I wondered if he were not after plums!"

Of course, however, it is possible that our friend the orator, in spite of a pair of eyes that seemed extremely keen, really believed the statue was a perfect work of art. *Louisa Dana Harding.*

The Successor to the Crown.

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The reconstruction work was carried on through a building committee appointed by the Emperor. The principal private contractors

were German electric companies. There will be 180 cars with motors at the end of each, while the power house has 3 turbine generators of 1,800 horsepower each, the tension being 600 to 650 volts.

The system will be managed by a syndicate, which has closed a contract with the city until 1922. The syndicate agrees to pay the city an annual sum of 402,000 rubles (\$207,030) and 5% per cent on the invested capital of about 7,000,000 rubles (\$3,605,000). Out of these receipts the city will continue the payment of 350,000 rubles per annum to the Belgian company up to the year 1916. After the expiration of this liability the income passes into the city treasury. Whatever surplus net profit remains after payment to the city of the sums agreed upon is to be divided into equal parts between the city and the syndicate.

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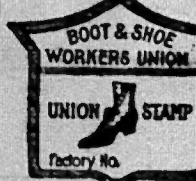
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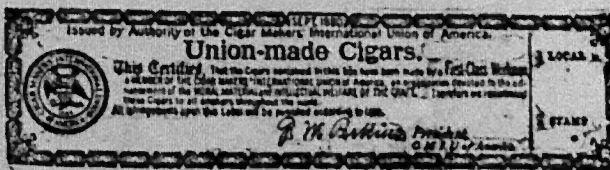
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A Thought for Memorial Day

By W. J. GHENT.

ON Memorial Day we commemorate the heroism of the soldiers of the Union armies who fought in the American Civil War. In every city and hamlet north of Mason and Dixon's line, and in many places south of it, bands are playing, men are marching, gray-haired color-bearers are holding high the tattered banners that passed through the iron hail of Antietam and Gettysburg, and on thousands of graves, where little flags are fluttering in the fresh May morning, children are strewing flowers.

It is a just and noble tribute which we pay to the soldiers who gave up their lives for the unity of a nation and the freedom of a race. With courage and sacrifice they fronted the crisis of their time, and fought for the right as they saw the right. While courage and sacrifice in behalf of a common good are revered, the memory of the defenders of the Republic cannot pass from the consciousness of men.

But there is another, and in some respects greater, heroism which ought also to be commemorated. That is the heroism of the soldiers of the social evolution. The enduring battle for social freedom is a struggle of peace, and is accompanied by none of the pageantry of armed warfare. But it is a nobler and greater struggle than that which was fought out with weapons forty-three years ago, for its aim is the freedom and unity,

not merely of a race or of a nation, but of all mankind. It is a battle, for the most part, waged by the rank and file—a "soldiers' battle," as was Gettysburg—and the vast majority of its heroes sleep in nameless and forgotten graves. Only here and there is a great leader remembered.

Are we less grateful to those who fought for the enduring good of mankind than to those who battled merely for a passing issue? Or are we still in the childhood of the race and so moved by the pageantry of warfare, by the "drums and trappings" of great armies, that we recall with pride and a sense of glory the deeds of one band of heroes while we forget the deeds of the other?

Let us have a yearly Memorial Day of our own, and let us commemorate, with music and tributes of praise, the lives of those who fought the good fight for mankind.

The first of May, the international holiday of militant labor, should be our day of solemn commemoration. In each community there should be services; and all who bore a part in the struggle should be remembered. Our debt to the dead and our obligation to the living alike require of us this formal ceremony. What we owe to our heroic dead we never cancel; but in paying these tributes to their heroism we can furnish to the living an unfailing source of inspiration to carry on the battle to the victorious end.

A Demagogic Attack!

Mayor Rose's Tilt at the Milwaukee Charter Convention.—Socialists in Action.

Milwaukee: Mayor Rose, who got himself into a hole recently by making a vicious attack on the Charter Convention and sending that body at its second meeting a peremptory order to cease using the aldermanic council chamber at the city hall, managed to pull one foot out last Monday, when, after a caucus with the faithful of his party, he suffered the aldermen, in whose custody the city hall really is, to vote to allow the convention the use of the chamber, although it is believed that the mayor will insist on a refusal to vote the convention any city funds with which to employ a stenographer and meet other incidental expenses. The mayor's attack is easily seen through, for it is filled with simulations of great feeling against the Social-Democrats. His effort is to force the wealth in-

terests into becoming a part of his machine in order to wipe out Social-Democracy. His attacks on the charter convention have aroused a good deal of public feeling, and the council was kind to the mayor in helping him to get one foot out of the dilemma. At the same time it treated him to the indignity of laying over for two weeks his message vetoing the resolution to provide charter convention members with copies of the present city charter and other documents.

Rose followed up his first attack by a second message Monday, in which he spent most of his space in roasting the Socialists. He repeated his stuff about the "illegality" of the charter convention, notwithstanding that leading lawyers of the city, men far above his class as legal lights, had shown the puerility of his contentions, and then launched out with a tirade, of which

the following paragraphs will give an idea:

"I charge that the whole scheme is of Social-Democratic origin and that the attempt has been, will be, and is, being made to engraft Social-Democratic doctrines upon the fundamental law of this municipality."

"I charge that the charter convention law was prepared by Social-Democratic leaders, with the aid and assistance of others masquerading under the name of other political organizations, but at heart in sympathy with, or by mutuality of interests wedded to, the Social-Democratic party, and that Victor L. Berger has openly claimed to have been the active agent who secured its passage."

"I charge that the Social-Democratic party has prepared a charter for the city of Milwaukee, to which the members of that party in the convention are committed in advance, and which they will endeavor to have adopted by your convention with the aid of the aforesaid combination."

"And I wish to say that I will not become a party, directly or indirectly, to any plan or scheme whereby it shall be made even possible for the Social-Democratic party, by itself, or in combination with the professed members of other political parties, to make a charter for this city. Nor will I consent that the public moneys shall be appropriated to any such use, for I can conceive of no greater injury that could be done to the interests I have been sworn to protect than to have a charter framed to accord with the doctrines of that party."

The fight is an interesting one because of the mayor's attempt to declare the Social-Democrats outlaw, and is making new friends for the party he is so anxious to put out of business. Nor has his attack on the effort to get a home rule charter lost the charter convention any friends.

One of the most notable resolutions introduced Monday was by Aid. Rummel (S.-D.) which read as follows:

WHEREAS, There appeared in the public press some time ago statements that members of the fire department were taking up a collection in said department for the purpose of paying the personal legal expenses of the chief of the said fire department recently tried under a grand jury indictment, and

WHEREAS, The rules of the said fire department forbid the taking up of collections among the men without the express permission of the chief; therefore

Resolved, That the said chief of the fire department be and he is hereby required to furnish to this council information

First, as to whether such collection was taken up in his department.

Second, as to whether it was taken up with his permission.

Third, as to whether the three men alleged to have solicited funds solicited them during the hours they were on their "offs" or during the time for which they were paid by the city.

The resolution was referred to the committee on fire department, which is clearly a Clancy committee, and there is much curiosity felt as to whether the committee will try to screen the chief or whether it will do its duty and determine whether there is malfeasance in the administration of the fire department.

Ald. Koch (S.-D.) introduced a resolution designed to require street cars to stop on near crossings when a car going in the opposite direction is discharging passengers at the further crossing.

The council killed the measure to pave Teutonia Avenue with Kettle River sandstone, according to the minority report of Aid. Strehlow and Reis (S.-D.). The hand of the asphalt trust is said to have been seen in the controversy. It is claimed now that the board of public works will recommend brick. Too much publicity has been attracted to the matter to give the trust a gum shoe chance.

Persia and the Press.

As regards the freedom of the press, Persia is evidently in advance of more than one European country, as the following episode shows: A short time ago *Mussateuf*, a Teheran journal published an article in which the Shah was charged with leading a disreputable life. Monarchs are not to be discussed with absolute impunity, even in Persia, so the paper was stopped by government order, and the editor was compelled to appear in court, with the result that he gave evidence which proved the charges which had appeared in his paper. Thereupon the editor was discharged and the embargo on his paper was withdrawn. The *Berliner Tageblatt*, which gives the facts of the case, evidently regards the incident as an object lesson for Prussia, for it prints the information under the significant title, "Freedom of the Press in Persia."

—Ex.

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INTERESTING REVIEW OF JUDICIAL ANTI-LABOR DECISIONS

The Courts are swayed by Class View Points Even Unconsciously So, and It is Small Wonder That Labor is Mistrustful of the Judicial Firmness.

By Daniel W. Hoan.

Much is being said at the present time about the sweeping decisions of our courts against the trade unions. It may be valuable to view these decisions in the light of what the courts have decided at an earlier date on the particular phases more recently reviewed. To the student of Socialism these decisions were received with little surprise. Realizing as we do that the political conditions are based upon, and controlled by, the economic status of society, and the social organization necessarily arising from that status, we expect to see, along with the concentration of wealth in the hands of the capitalistic ruling class, a corresponding change in the attitude of the courts in sympathy with the class it represents. Occasionally we hear a slip from one of the representatives of the old parties, admitting this contention of the Socialists. Senator Robert L. Taylor, in a speech before congress, on May 19, said: "Concentrated wealth is entrenched under the dome of the capitol." It might be added that as soon as the wage-earners and farmers of the nation investigate these facts they too will entrench themselves under the dome of the capitol under the banner of the Social-Democratic party. Then we may expect to hear court decisions in sympathy with their interests. We hear Samuel Gompers very much bewailing the Supreme Court's application of the anti-trust statute to the trade unions. He has not awakened to the fact that long before this decision, yes, long before the anti-trust law was passed, the courts throughout this land have been gradually changing the great body of law relating to the unions.

Let us discuss here but one single subject, "The right to picket." Let us see what the earliest case on record in this country has to say about this subject. The case is *Harvester Co. v. Reinhardt* (60 How. Pr. 168). Before this the right to picket had never been questioned, and in this case the Supreme Court of Michigan, in 1886, refused an injunction for picketing. The court said: "We are disinclined to extend by any judgment of ours the doctrine of recovery for enticing away servants, where both in fact and theory the person enticed is a free agent to come and go as he will, responsible only, like other persons, for the violation of his contract or his duty."

Now let us see what this same identical court says in exactly eighteen years later, in the case of *Beck v. Railway Teamsters' Protective Union* (77 N. W. Rep. 22). "To picket complainant's premises in order to intercept their teamsters or persons going there to trade is unlawful. It is itself an act of intimidation and an unwarranted interference with the right of free trade. The highways and public streets must be free to all the purpose of trade commerce and labor. It will not do to say that these pickets were thrown out for the purposes of peaceable argument and persuasion. They are intended to intimidate and coerce."

Thus, Mr. Workingman, behold the somersault. What that court formerly held to be a right it now decides is unlawful. It tells you that when you intercept a striker to talk over matters with him you intend to intimidate and coerce.

In 1884 it was laid down by the New York courts that picketing, unless accompanied by threats, intimidation, or actual violence, is lawful. (1 N. Y. City Court Supplement, p. 54.)

From that day to this, however, the courts have been adding to and interpreting "threats, intimidation, and actual violence," until most judges who are appointed are ever ready to enjoin any picketing. It should be added, however, that now and then a judge who is elected directly by the voters will refuse to go that far.

In 1886 the courts of New York announced (4 N. Y. Criminal Rep. 403) "that to constitute intimidation it is not necessary that there should be any overt act of violence, or any direct threat by word of mouth. It is enough if the attitude of those engaged in the overt act is intimidating; and this may be shown by their numbers, their methods, their postures, their circulars, and their devices."

Thus the courts take another departure. The presence of a large number of picket amounts to intimidation.

The next step was taken when in 1897, in the case of *Mackall v. Ratchford* (82, Fed. Rep. 41), the court further stretched the meaning of the term "intimidation" by holding that the marching of workmen past the place where the strike was in progress amounted to intimidation.

This, however, is significant to what the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania did later during the same year.

It appears in this case (O'Neil v. Behanna) that the strikers did resort to calling the strikebreakers scabs and blacklegs, and tried to pull them away. But the court took the task upon itself of going much further than enjoining these acts. It said that "arguments, persuasion" and appeals of a hostile and demonstrative mob could be enjoined. With this broad view a court could merely say a number of pickets were a mob, and then proceed to issue an injunction to stop all arguing, persuading and appealing to the strikebreakers to join their ranks.

A further addition to the terms "threats," "intimidation" and "violence" as acts that would be enjoined was made when in *United States v. Sweeney* the terms "inducement" and unlawful "persuasion" were included. How gradually and systematically the right to picket was gradually changed into a crime may now be seen. For it is plain to recognize that anything could be called unlawful persuasion and then be enjoined. Bear in mind that this was here introduced for the first time; and that before 1880 the right to picket had never been even questioned before the courts of this country.

Now let us look at the next growth in the law. In 1902, in the case of *Frank v. Herold*, the Court of Chancery of New Jersey, in issuing an injunction, says: "In my judgment any conduct to hinder or prevent another from working, if he or she choose to work, is an unlawful infringement of the personal rights of the individual. It is urged that one person has a right to pur-

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Around the World.

The Socialist representation in the various national parliaments is as follows:

Germany, in the Reichstag.....43
Argentina, Congress.....1
British Columbia, Deputies.....3
Finland, in the Chamber.....80
France, Deputies.....50
Holland, in Second Chamber.....6
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Belgium, in the House.....30
Belgium, in the Senate.....27
Denmark, in the Folketing.....24
Denmark, in the Landsting.....4
England, Commons.....31
Italy, in the Chamber.....20
Norway, in the Storting.....15
Sweden, in Second Chamber.....15

Headway in Holland.

In Holland the Socialists have just held a congress, and the result was a tale of power and progress. Since last year's meeting the party has gained no fewer than 1,000 additional members out of a total membership of 8,400. It was resolved to fight for universal suffrage—both male and female—and the opinion was freely hazarded that as soon as these needed reforms were granted the fight against the powers that be should be conducted by organized Socialism with even greater vigor than had been possible in the past.

A Turn of the Tide.

Three years ago Hungary was pouring hordes of emigrants into America, but now the tide has turned. In 1905 about 11 per cent of these came back again to Hungary; in 1906 19 per cent; and in 1907 no less than 28 per cent. Emigration is ceasing any more to be the comfortable remedy of those who refuse to open their eyes to the diseased society around them; and every change in this direction will be a distinct gain for Socialism.—Ex.

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August Bebel, the big man of the German Social-Democratic movement, will deliver an address at Helsingborg, Finland, on June 8.

Kirkville, Mo., comrades have nominated Comrade John Bernette for sheriff and a full ticket. The county committee consists of T. C. Haller, J. Robert Wilson, Charles Betty, Frank Orland, J. A. Milligan, and John Whitehouse.

The national executive committee, in accordance with the instructions of the convention, has provided for the submission of the platform and constitution to a referendum vote of the entire party membership. The latter to be submitted in the following form: "That amendments adopted by the convention shall be submitted together with the corresponding sections of the old constitution. The amendment to be printed in italics."

Party News


May Beals has removed her Socialist magazine, the Red Flag, from Louisiana to her old home, Maryville, Tenn.

A picture postcard received in Milwaukee from Comrade Obermeyer of Coalinga, Cal., caricaturing the result in Milwaukee, has been received.

The women's committee elected by the national convention recommended the appointment of Comrade Anna Malcy as national organizer. The same has been confirmed by the national executive committee.

Comrades Eugene V. Debs and Ben Hanford, the candidates of the party, will meet a subcommittee of the national executive committee at national headquarters within two weeks, to arrange the general plans for the speaking campaign.

The Volksstern, a paper in the Dutch language and owned by the Socialists at Holland, Mich., will make its appearance shortly. It is the first paper of its kind printed



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GAYETIES OF JOURNALISM—By Charles Sandburg.

The Chicago Daily Tribune is one of the foremost defenders of capitalism and one of the readiest liars about Socialism. It is a good paper—if you don't care what you say.

In the issue of May 19 I find several things that add to the gayety of life under capitalism. One is tempted to quote from Hamlet. "Tis a mad world, my lords."

The dramatic critic of the Tribune tells its readers about a new production appearing at the Colonial, a burlesque on "The Merry Widow." He says, "As an entertainment for the summer, it is lively with the spirit of the Fenderloin, and flashy with the gems of wit and glittering feminines, draped and undraped, that one associates with sea food and late hours. A part of the time you are ashamed to listen, and another part you are ashamed to smile. 'Are you a married man?' queries one of the players. 'Not now,' is the reply. 'I'm living a la carte.' And the wine men applaud. Bessie Clayton contributes a daring dance, which offers several lurid incidents that in a sense is to be regretted. Bessie, being a gifted and wonderful dancer, does not have to resort to that sort of thing."

How is this for high, coming from an organ that continually has a javelin lifted for the "immoral" Socialist?

What are we to think about it? The Colonial, "the theater beautiful," a spacious architectural glory. Chicago's finest and most successful playhouse, is by open confession given over for the summer to a drama "lively with the spirit of the

Tenderloin," and filled with women "draped and undraped" for public gaze.

The Colonial is it for profits. The Tribune critic a man of taste and fine sensibility, dares not utter any real protest against it, because the advertising department must be looked to, and the advertising department is run only by one standard, and that is profits.

Three columns on the left of this pellucid dramatic criticism is an editorial. This editorial barks its shins and falls over itself with inconsistency. Here it is:

Picnics at LaPorte.

There is something distinctly disconcerting in the attitude of people toward such a tragedy as that enacted at LaPorte. Awful crimes have been committed. The story of murder may never be told fully. Men, women and children were killed or burned to death in a house of horrors. The nature of the disclosure thus far made and the whole atmosphere of the place ought to make all shun it except the few representatives of the law called there by official duty.

Instead the blood-stained farm has become a favorite excursion point for the time being. Men and women, boys and girls, have made up picnic parties to visit the ruins of the charnel house. Lively stables have done a land office business. Sandwiches and redheads have vanished quickly in the presence of the horde of hungry excursionists. The unfortunate Indiana town has become the scene of festering crowds of gaping sensation hunters.

When the thought is considered that the entire country has played such a part in the whole matter there is reason for discouragement for so-called civilization. Few have reflected upon the probable awful fate of the supposed murderers. The death of possible victims of her fiendish activity has not saddened many. The only

voice heard with any distinctness coming out of the shadow of crime is that of the picknicking excursionist finding occasion for laughter and joking even by the graves of the dead.

The question at point is: Who roused the "idle curiosity" that led the crowds to picnic at LaPorte? Did not the Tribune, along with every other profit-mongering newspaper in the country, run big headlines and columns and columns of intimate details about the house of horrors? Did not the Tribune pour all the blood and guts of the whole affair into its columns? Where did the curious crowds get their curiosity, if it wasn't from the Tribune and papers which, like the Tribune, are purposely published for profits?

And now to conclude, two columns on the left of this editorial was a squib, reading as follows:

Comrade Haywood is reckless. He consigns the courts and the judges to a locality where he will be almost sure to meet them again.

I don't know very many details about the new civilization. What the social order following capitalism will be I have no positive information—we are sailing under sealed orders. But I know that with an increasing proportion of educated and enlightened men and women will come a decrease in the popularity and patronage of lying, hypocritical mediums which, like the Chicago Tribune, spill blood and guts all over the front page and then preach against it in the editorials. In the midst of all the rot and bosh, purposely published for profits, I think I will stick to the SOCIAL-DEMOCRATIC HERALD, which is "purposely published for propaganda."

PERSONAL HYGIENE AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

By Dr. H. L. Nahin.

Cleanliness.
It is truly said: "Cleanliness is Godliness." A clean body and mind brings personal charm to the individual in health and is a safeguard against disease. As stated above, there are a number of sources where offensive substances are formed. Impurities of any kind constitute a favorable media for the propagation of various germs. The latter are the most dreadful living adversaries which the individual and society must fight. This invisible foe is constantly watching for an opportunity to enter our system, feed on it, and destroy it. Hence it is of the utmost importance to keep the body clean in order to prevent their multiplication.

How to Keep Clean.
1. The Body. To keep the body clean does not mean to take a bath once in a great while, or to wash the face and hands once a day, but it means to keep the whole body continually clean. To this end the body should be washed, sponged or bathed once a day. The face, hands and nails must be washed and cleaned several times during the day. Especially the hands and nails, which come in contact with many and various sources of infection, should be kept scrupulously clean.

2. The House. Dusting and sweeping alone does not constitute house-cleaning. The house impurities must be got rid of. And to accomplish this the house air must be purified. The furniture, carpets, curtains, etc., must be daily cleansed of their impurities. In cleaning those things the windows must be wide open, in order to permit the escape of all these im-

purities; otherwise these are simply driven from one place to another. The air and the house contents must be purified and diluted with pure air as far as possible.

The window shades should be raised to allow the sun rays to enter the house, and kill all the germs, and disinfect all the filthy nooks and corners.

Dishware and kitchen utensils must be boiled and all fat removed with alcohol in order to prevent the cultivation of germs. Glassware is best cleaned by boiling and drying on a tray in a fireproof oven. Drying with towels is unclean and unhealthy, for the fibers and fringes of the towels are invariably made to adhere to the glassware, and eventually swallowed when the latter are in use.

These details may seem to be of a trifling nature; nevertheless they are of inestimable value as a measure of cleanliness and as a preventive against many and various diseases.

Infant Feeding.
Mothers' milk is Nature's best food for infants. Nature has provided in it the proper elements for the growth and development of the child. Mothers, who for the sake of convenience, or social reasons, abstain from nursing their children, are robbing their infants of their essential elements of life, and are subjecting them to many bodily ailments. Infants should be nourished regularly every two, and beginning with the fourth month, every three hours. Between the hours of 11 p. m. and 5 a. m. the child should take no nourishment whatever. These hours are destined for the mother to rest and

As to Canteens.

To the Editor: The morning papers show that one of your Wisconsin representatives named Knistermann is advocating the restoration of the canteen to the Soldiers' Homes. No doubt Knistermann is retained by the "vested interests." He certainly has no personal knowledge of the question he pretends to discuss. I love good beer and I love good whisky, and am not fanatical on the temperance question. But I know from personal observation the beneficial results of the abolition of the canteen at the Soldiers' Homes. Knistermann complains that by taking away from an beer and light wines, we are being "treated as little children." Well that is just what we are, a great majority of us—little children. Indeed we are in our "second childhood," and we are constantly lusting each other with the fact that our "disability" lies wholly in our brains. Our Home showed a vast improvement in the conduct of the inmates directly upon the discontinuance of the canteen. The fact that the beer contained less alcohol only impelled us to drink more of it. Many of us could not hold enough beer to make us "good and drunk," but we could "tank up" enough to make babbling, sloppy fools of us, and very disagreeable company for half-decent people. The canteen was a constant temptation to escape the duty and the dreariness of Home life by soaking ourselves with beer and incidentally squandering our pension money and "going broke" a few weeks (or days) after "pension day." We are now compelled to seek other and cleaner diversions, such as the library, the reading room, and the country road. I heard it often asserted, and by beer drinkers, that if the question were referred to a jury, they would vote the canteen out of the Home.

Of the army canteen we of the Civil War had no experience. It seems to me, however, that an army that needs to keep half drunk on beer and light wines is not the sort of an army to do good fighting.

Old Soldier.
Natl. Soldiers' Home, Tenn.

Another View.
To the Editor: The pastor of a fashionable Congregational Church of this city, made the following statement in his last Sunday's sermon: "Drink, and not capital, is the enemy of the workingman, that is preventing him from bettering his condition. The annual drink bill of Milwaukee is approximately \$7,350,000. The workingman probably spends at least \$5,000,000 of that enormous sum."

If these gentlemen claim to be fair, why don't they tell us how much money is spent every year for cream, pie, candy, perfumes and many other luxurious articles, not to mention the loss from non-payment of taxes by property that ought to be taxed?

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Correspondents are urged to write as briefly as possible and on one side of the paper only.

A Churlish Remark.
To the Editor: President Woodrow Wilson of Princeton, who is now in Bermuda, is quoted as saying in reply to a request for his opinion on the woman suffrage question, that "Women may have to fight against adverse circumstances in some parts of the world, but in America at least they are almost too much protected." Think of that, from the head of a great university! Does he not know that 6,000,000 women in this country of ours are working outside the homes, and that in many of the industries in which they are engaged the average rate of wages is considerably less than the average cost of living? If this be a protection, then indeed the women of America are suffering from "too much" of it.

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The Eastern newspapers of December 17, 1904, herald the decision of the court in the case of United States Printing Company v. The International Stereotypers' Union as a great victory for unionism. Even the American Federationist commented on it as a just court decision. All the court held was that the strikers could station men for observation around a factory if there be no molestation of strikebreakers. Now let us see how the employers view this decision.

The Open Shop Magazine of February, 1907, commenting on it, said: "Very few employers will object to union strikers, out of work, looking at the non-union men who have taken their places going to work. Very often seeing is believing, and it is worth while to have strikers realize that their places can be filled. Still the Federationist calls this a just decision. Surely, the blind lead the blind."

The sweeping injunction issued in the late teamsters' strike in Chicago, although it does not say picketing is unlawful, accomplishes the same thing in more words. It prohibits "everybody, in any manner or in any place in Chicago, from interfering with, hindering, or obstructing any person or persons seeking employment, or from hindering or stopping any of the bosses' agents, servants or employees in the maintenance, conduct, management or operation of their business."

The injunction granted against the printers in Chicago in the late strike for the eight-hour day was even more drastic than this. It practically prohibited the strikers from discussing the strike in their homes with persons who might be employed by the bosses.

Here, then, we have a complete review of the courts doing the will of the capitalist class.

There was no statute law to influence them in building up the labyrinth of technicalities to defeat

the purposes of the trade union. This too has been gradually going on for nearly thirty years, under the very eyes of Samuel Gompers. But never a cry from that source until the Supreme Court threatened, the very existence of the unions in the Hatters' cases. Surely, a house must fall on some persons before they awake. Daniel W. Hoan.

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"The Socialist party stands with organized labor in all its struggles to resist capitalist aggression or to wrest from the capitalists any improvement in the conditions of labor. It declares that it is the duty of every wage-worker to be an active and loyal member of the organized labor movement, striving to win its battles and to strengthen and perfect it for the greater struggles to come.

Confronted by Great Crisis. Organized labor is today confronted by a great crisis. The capitalists, intoxicated with wealth and power and alarmed by the increasing political and economic activity of the working class, have as a class undertaken a crusade for the destruction of the labor organizations.

"In Colorado, Nevada, Alaska and elsewhere law and constitution have been trampled under foot, military despotism set up, and judicial murder attempted with this aim in view. Where such violent methods have not seemed advisable, other means have been used to the same end.

"The movement for the so-called open shop but thinly veils an attempt to close the shops against organized workingmen; it is backed by powerful capitalist organizations, with millions of dollars in their war funds.

Courts Always Hostile. "The courts, always hostile to labor, have of late outdone all previous records in perverting the law to the service of the capitalist class. They have issued injunctions forbidding the calling of strikes, the announcement of boycotts, payment of union benefits, or even any attempt to organize unorganized workingmen in certain trades and places. They have issued arbitrary decrees dissolving unions under the pretense of their being labor trusts.

"They have sustained the capitalists in bringing damage suits against unions for the purpose of tying up or sequestering their funds. They have wiped off the statute books many labor laws—laws protecting little children from exploitation in the factory, laws making employers liable for damages in cases of employees killed or injured at their work, laws guaranteeing the right of workingmen to belong to unions.

"While affirming the right of employers to bar organized workingmen from employment, they have declared it unlawful for workmen to agree not to patronize non-union establishments. The only consistent rule observed by the courts in dealing with the labor question is the rule that capitalists have a sacred right to profits and that the working class has no

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"By this decision the Supreme Court has clearly shown itself to be an organ of class injustice, not of social justice. If this and other decisions are not speedily reversed, organized labor will find itself completely paralyzed in its effort toward a peaceful solution of the labor question. The success of the capitalists and their courts in this assault upon the labor movement would be a disaster to civilization and humanity. It can and must be defeated.

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Wisconsin State Organization Department

CARL D. THOMPSON, 344 Sixth Street, Milwaukee, Wis., state organizer; to whom news and other matters for this department should be sent.

WASHBURN. Arrangements are being made for a lecture by Comrade Brown, probably on June 28. At that time a county convention will be held and a ticket nominated for the county and assembly district.

WATERTOWN. Comrade Jacobs had a splendid meeting at Watertown last Wednesday night. The comrades are planning to send delegates to the state convention and propose to put a ticket in the field in Jefferson County.

STEVENS POINT. Two members-at-large have been received into the party from Stevens Point. Comrades Helal and Goodrich. We hope to see the movement well organized before long.

MELLEN. Comrade Beaver joins as a member-at-large and says he has been working for years among the people in his vicinity, sowing the seed for the social revolution.

BERLIN. Comrade Davlin joins as a member-at-large and proposes to assist in the work of organization.

MEDFORD. Comrade Grahl sent in five names of comrades who are interested in the cause, and himself joins as a member-at-large.

There is going to be something doing in Wisconsin this fall.

CHIPPWA FALLS. Something broke loose in Chippewa also. Comrade Beaudett joins as member-at-large and is going out after others.

BOSCOBEL. Comrade Krelly tells us that he believes a local can be organized here, and sends in the names of several comrades who are more or less interested and who will probably join in the organization.

BELOIT. Comrade Downes has called a meeting of all Socialists to be held next Sunday, May 31, at Trades Council Hall, for the purpose of organizing a local of the party and arranging for a county convention.

Comrade Kimbal, who has been a Socialist for ten years, is working hard for subscriptions for the Socialist papers and says that he believes the sentiment is growing, even in Beloit.

CASHTON. Comrade Moen sends in for copies of "Socialism Made Plain" and "The Constructive Program of Socialism," and has earned himself some Christian Socialist literature and proposes to try all sorts of literature in trying to arouse his neighbors and friends in the cause of Socialism.

MERRILLAN. Comrade Shottwell writes that the people at Merrillan are not informed upon the subject of Socialism, but are anxious to learn. He has joined the party as a member-at-large and asks that a speaker be sent. We will send some one, you may depend.

The fall campaign is on. Everybody on deck. Now for a hot time.

Don't forget to come to the state convention, June 13 and 14.

MANITOWOC. Comrades have hired the Allger Hall for the big Brown meeting to be held in Manitowoc Tuesday, June 16. They are expecting a big time. The comrades will select their delegates to the big state convention Thursday night, and a county conference has been called for June 9 at Manitowoc. We will have a full ticket in the field, except possibly the district attorney. Comrade Wright says: "We are going to make the welkin ring here this fall." That's the stuff—we want to see a member of the state legislature elected from Manitowoc.

Comrade Brown's dates for next week are as follows:

Milwaukee, Tuesday, June 2.
Wilton, Wednesday, June 3.
Ontario, Thursday, June 4.
Hustler, Friday, June 5.
Warren, Saturday, June 6.
Valley Junction, Sunday, June 7.
2:30 p. m.
Blair, Monday, June 8.
Nekeosa, Tuesday, June 9.
Grand Rapids, Wednesday, June 10.
Open date, Thursday, June 11.
Fond du Lac, Friday, June 12.
State Convention, June 13 and 14.
The comrades in Milwaukee are working for the hall will not hold the people that are buying tickets for Comrade Brown's lecture on Tuesday, June 2.

Next! The Big State Picnic.

Arrangements for this year's big annual event, the state Social-Democratic picnic are in the hands of the following comrades appointed by the County Central Committee of Milwaukee:

Max Wrege, Jacob Hahn, W. P. Barrigan, Charles Weiley, Richard Beyer, Max Binner, Mrs. J. L. Reisse, George Knapp, Ed. Gunz, Al. Wiesse, Arthur Urbanek, H. W. Bistorius.

This committee elected Charles Weiley, chairman; H. W. Bistorius, secretary; W. P. Barrigan, treasurer. The chairmanship of the subcommittees went to the following comrades:

Order committee, Arthur Urbanek; printing and press, H. W. Bistorius; prizes, Arthur Urbanek; floor, Al. Wiesse; reception and speakers, E. T. Mehms; luncheon committee, Mrs. J. L. Reisse. These committees are now busy and hustling.

Application will be made to the Western Passenger Association for reduced railroad rates from all points in Wisconsin.

Tickets will soon be mailed to all the readers of the *HERALD*, *Vanguard*, *Vorwarts* and *Wahrheit*. Branches and unions will also receive tickets in proportion to their membership.

This committee will leave no stone unturned to make this a brilliant success. In this work it requests the co-operation of every party member, every reader and every sympathizer throughout the state of Wisconsin. As soon as the tickets are received everybody can help the committee in promoting the success so much desired.

Even before the tickets are mailed our comrades, readers and sympathizers can become busy. Talk picnic to whoever you meet, to your friends, to your acquaintances, to everyone. This is important, because last year's event was the biggest on record, and we are anxious to beat it.

We shall try to engage either the candidate for president or vice-president of the Social-Democratic party or the Countess of Warwick for the speaker of the day. Again we ask you to boost the picnic upon every occasion. Come, bring your family, your friends, your shopmates and all your relations.

BROWN LECTURES.

Rev. Harvey Dee Brown of Racine, Wis., will lecture on the subject of "The Spirit and Purpose of Socialism," at Ethical Hall, 558 Jefferson Street, one block north of the courthouse, Tuesday night, June 2, at 8 o'clock. Tickets sold at the door for 10c.

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Address all communications to E. T. MELMS, county organizer, 344 Sixth Street, Milwaukee.

Branch Meetings Next Week.

MONDAY 8 P. M.

Tenth, Twelfth and North ave.

TUESDAY 8 P. M.

Fifteenth, 20th and Chestnut Sts.

Town of Wauwatosa, Forty-eighth and State Street.

THURSDAY 8 P. M.

Town of Greendale, 1116 Lapham.

Fifth, 382 Washington St.

Ninth, 409 Eleventh St.

FRIDAY 8 P. M.

Town of Lake, 55 Clement ave.

Second, 344 Sixth street.

Twenty-second, 214 North av.

SATURDAY 8 P. M.

Jewish Section, 427 Fourth street.

Town of Milwaukee, corner Nash and Tentonia aves.

Grand picnic and entertainment, given by Polish South Side Branch, at Hanover Park Eighth Avenue and Manitoba Street, Sunday, June 7, 1908. Admission 15c a person. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

Some time ago a contribution was acknowledged by the campaign fund under the name of S. Berg. This is an error, and instead should have read J. Berg.

The first open-air meeting at Walker and Grove Streets, last Saturday evening, was a grand success. Comrade Segar, who is the owner of a picture machine, and who is going to make an extensive trip in the copper districts between now and the fall election, has decided to use his machine on a number of occasions on the street corners on the South Side, and therefore another lecture will be held next Saturday evening at the same street corner.

The Finnish Branch has made all the necessary arrangements for its picnic on the lake shore, end of Delaware Avenue car line, Sunday afternoon, June 7. A large number of the English-speaking comrades are expected to attend this picnic. The vigilance committee will hold a meeting at the headquarters Sunday morning, May 31, at 9 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to be present, as very important business will come up.

Basket Picnics.

The following are the basket picnics so far arranged for this summer by the various branches:

Sixth District and Twentieth Ward Branch, Sunday, Aug. 2, John's Grove, Green Bay Road.

Take Milwaukee Northern Street Railway line to Highway No. 1, and then walk three blocks east.

South Side Social-Democratic Young People's Branch, Heim's Grove, Thirtieth and Lincoln Avenue, Sunday, June 7.

Fourteenth Ward Branch, Heim's Grove, Sunday, June 14.

Twelfth Ward, literature on account.

J. K. 1.00

G. D. .50

Carnival Proceeds.

Previously reported. \$1,375.45

Robert Seering. .25

Gustav Schliwa. .50

Henry Maas. .50

F. C. Rader. 1.50

Charles Grabowski. .50

E. T. Melms. 1.50

W. Steward. 1.50

L. Starzak. 1.00

L. Sachs. .50

Caspar Hach. 1.00

G. A. Brinn. 1.00

August Behrmann. 1.50

Adolph Lang. 1.50

Charles Nickolans. .50

Fred. Butenhoff. 1.50

\$1,388.20

Southern Wisconsin District Paragraphs

NOTE—Address all matters in reference to this department to the organizer: W. A. JACOBS, Racine, Wis.

WATERTOWN. The district organizer held a very successful street meeting in Watertown on the evening of May 20, which was attended by a large number of young people, between the ages of 16 and 20. It was gratifying to note that the greater part of the applause came from the younger element—just the element needed in a new movement. If we can succeed in robbing the capitalist parties of the young blood the day will soon be ours. In this matter we propose to do our duty.

While the agitator is thrown into the midst of this industrial tragedy, he nevertheless experiences many amusing things, as was the case in Watertown at the above mentioned meeting.

We were making an appeal to the working people to get together and protect each other against exploitation in so far as that was possible under a system of private capital, when one of the well-known fuel dealers wanted to know who paid for our white collars, intimating that we were robbing the working people by charging them large prices for our speeches. He was told that it would cost him nothing to listen to us and that the working people who were trying to improve their conditions had asked that a meeting of this kind be held and that they would look after the financial end of it. He then wanted to know what we would do first after getting the political power in Watertown. A comrade at that moment stepped to the box and whispered that the man asking the question was a fuel dealer and that the fuel dealers had formed a local trust and were charging from 75c to \$1.00 more for coal than the neighboring towns were charged. Just think of an opportunity when he asked for a second time what we would do first when we had captured the political power in Watertown. We suggested that Watertown would probably first establish a municipal wood and coal yard in order to buy for at a reasonable price. Wow! Light between the eyes! "He got it," much to the satisfaction of those who knew him best. After the applause had subsided we explained to the people that they were to be blamed more than the dealers for present conditions, as they had the power to make a change if they wanted one.

Eleventh Ward, Heim's Grove, Sunday, July 26.

Town of Lake, Trinthammer's Grove, Sunday, July 26, between Cudaly and South Milwaukee.

Eighth Ward Branch, Heim's Grove, Sunday, Aug. 2.

Seventeenth Ward Branch, at Hindsbeck's Grove, Foot of Howell Avenue, Aug. 30.

Twelfth Ward Branch, Huelbeck's Grove, Aug. 23.

Report of United Singing Society Concert.

Balance on hand, May 23. \$34.79

S. S. Aurora. .21.10

Fourth Ward. .50

Balance on hand, May 31. \$56.39

Campaign Fund.

L. Starzak. .50

L. Reuter. .50

C. Seitz. 1.00

A. Zirniska. .25

L. Meyer. .50

United Singing Society

Concert. .30.00

H. D. Stark. 1.00

R. C. Hintz. .25

Dr. H. Rasmussen. .50

Wm. Nen. .50

H. F. Barthel. .50

H. M. Bettin. 1.00

George Klenzendorff. 1.00

C. Biersach. 1.00

J. Kohn. 1.00

C. Sturm. .25

Gustav Hilgendorf. .25

A. Huchenheisen. .25

L. Stutgen. 3.00

Dr. B. .25

A. O. W. 5.00

Theo. Koester. 1.00

Wm. Koch. 10.00

A. C. Miller. .25

N. N. C. .50

Dr. C. E. Gaze. 2.50

Dr. K. W. B. .50

W. C. Zabel. .50

Twelfth Ward, literature on account.

J. K. 1.00

G. D. .50

Water Meter Reader.

Office of the Board of City Service Commissioners, City Hall, May 23, 1908.

A competitive examination for the position of Water Meter Reader will be held at the above office on Thursday, June 4, 1908, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Some of the requirements are: United States citizenship; residence in Milwaukee for the last three years; immediately preceding the date of application, clear, legible handwriting; good general education; good character and recommendation; applications in writing to be presented personally up to and including Monday, June 1, 1908, on the proper blanks, to be obtained at the above office.

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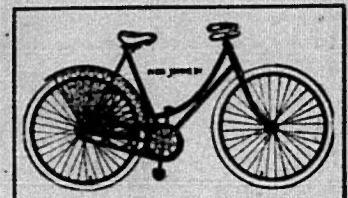
RECEIPT BOOKS, 50 in a book, with the union label, suitable for unions, 10 cents, each. 125 each or two for 25c. Social-Democratic Publishing Co., 211 1/2 St., Milwaukee.

WARRANTS ON THE TREASURER—For the use of Social-Democratic Clubs, 10 warrants in a book for 25c. Social-Democratic Publishing Co., 211 1/2 St., Milwaukee.

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Lake Shore and Fox River Valley Department

NOTE—Matters in reference to this department should be addressed to the organizer of the district: CHARLES SANDBURG, Care Daily Tribune, Manitowoc, Wis.

Oshkosh is such a peculiar name,

and rhymes so quickly with "josh"

and "bosh" that many people think

it is an imaginary place like Val-

halla or the New Jerusalem. But

Oshkosh is a very real place, where

you may see people whose teeth

and jawbones have been eaten away

by sulphur while they toiled in the

mills of the match trust. Millions

of matches have been made in Osh-

kosh, but they have not given the

people of Oshkosh very much light

on Socialism. So on June 1 a public

meeting is to be held, and we are

putting in hard work to get a big

crowd. Two noon meetings at fac-

tories are planned, and Socialist lit-

erature containing announcement

evening of Saturday, May 23, and

was a tremendous success for a

"first night." Comrade Feeley of

Milwaukee, who is doing some

work for the Wisconsin State Fed-

eration of Labor in Racine, con-

sented to remain over for a little

while after he had finished his

work for the week, and opened the

meeting. It reminded us of the

time when we together held street

meetings on the corner of Second

Street and Grand Avenue in Mil-

waukee on the Sunday evenings of

October, 1906. The comrades

The 7th ANNUAL
MONSTER

PICNIC

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WILL BE HELD AT
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Aftersnoon and Evening

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DON'T FORGET THE TIME, THE PLACE AND THE DATE!

AT THE THEATERS.

PABST PARK.
Saturday (Memorial Day) will see Pabst Park join the ranks of the amusement resorts bidding for the patronage of the summer pleasure seekers. The principal entertainment will be the Circle D Ranch Wild West Show and Indian Congress, under the management of Will A. Dickey. Mr. Dickey's company consists of over sixty people, including cowboys, cowgirls, Sioux Indians and a twelve-piece cowboy band. The band will play daily concerts in the mountain inn, one of the surprises that awaits this season's guests, and May's musicians will be heard in the pavilion. The Indian village, located on the northwest side of the hill, will become one of the most popular spots in the park.

WONDERLAND.
Wonderland opens at noon today, and the big pleasure park has been put into its summer dress and made ready for visitors. The buildings have been remodeled to house the new and attractive amusement devices. Two big feature acts have been secured for the opening week. The first is that of Prof. Robison, who makes a balloon ascension and parachute drop with a live lion as



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Jury Acquits Althen!

Two Rivers, May 26.—"Not guilty" was the verdict of the jury in the Fred. Althen libel suit this evening. The jury returned its verdict at 11 o'clock, after almost all hope of a verdict had been abandoned. At about 6:30 o'clock the jury was given the case. The jurors were taken to supper and at about 7:30 o'clock they were locked up to deliberate.

At 10 o'clock the jury asked to see the judge. After consulting with the attorneys he called the jury in. The foreman said that they could not agree. The judge told the jurors that some one would have to decide the case and that they were as intelligent as any jurors to be had. He said that they had not been out long enough and he sent them back with instructions to remain at least until 10:45 o'clock.

At 10:55 the jury sent for pen and ink. District Attorney Kelley then abandoned hope for conviction and he told Althen the verdict would free him.

Rejoice at Verdict.
The news of the verdict spread through the little town like wildfire, and until long after midnight the streets and saloons were the scenes of animated groups discussing the trial and the verdict. It was the working class that rejoiced, just as it was the working class that filled the stuffy little improvised courtroom through all the long day, watching the prosecution of the man who guides the destinies of their newspaper spokesman.

Althen was the first witness called by the defense. He was a good witness. He did not equivocate. He stood by what he had printed and he explained his meanings and his beliefs so that no doubt was left as to what they were. On the stand Althel Hamel testified that he has held many public positions. Since he has been alderman he has been dock and sewer inspector. He would not admit to the defense that he was seeking either of these places now.

Althen said on the stand that Hamel was a standing candidate for any office.

What Graft Means.
"What did you mean by the word graft?" was asked on direct examination. The word graft had been used by Althen who said in the *Reporter* "Hamel, we dare you to resign and stand for re-election. We will wager you the amount of graft you get out of it that you couldn't command twenty votes of the ninety you got last spring."

Althen said, "I mean that Hamel sought the trade of Wisman, and he is a standing candidate for the office of sewer inspector or any other job. The crowd with which Wisman trains is about evenly divided and it was to get the good will of Wisman and I'll stand by it."

Wisman is an alderman and hotel keeper. Hamel is a butcher.

He continued: "I meant by the word graft the amount of benefit he was going to get out of it. Not necessarily dollars and cents. I meant the good will of Wisman and the profit he got of it through Wisman. I'm willing to have the public put me on record as believing that he was going to get something out of it."

"Good will?" queried the prosecution attorney?

"The good will of Wisman means more than that," answered Althen.

On the redirect examination Mr. Althen said that he had met Hamel the morning after the vote on the printing contract and that Hamel had said to him, "If you quit talking that 'tit for tat' Wisman will vote for you next spring."

A column headed "Tit for Tat" in the *Reporter* contained the alleged libelous matter.

When questioned Althen said he had no ill will toward Hamel, and that he enjoyed the affair as much as any one did. Later, when cross examined, he said, "I'll tell you just how I do feel toward him. I have a contempt for him. I have a contempt for the whole bunch."



At Wonderland.
compare with the visible art and dramatic expression of the Yiddish players. The Thomashefsky Yiddish Opera Company, direct from People's Theater, New York City, will appear at the Alhambra Theater on Monday and Tuesday evenings, June 1 and 2, in the latest and most successful interesting



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A beautiful \$40.00 Victor Talking Machine with \$12.00 Cabinet Stand and 1 dozen Records worth \$7.20, a total value of \$59.20 donated by Hoefler Manufacturing Co., 306-308 West Water St. This handsome and valuable prize may be seen in the show windows of the Hoefler Manufacturing Co., on West Water St., opposite the Second Ward Bank. Go and see it! It will make you get into the contest at once!

A fine cabinet clock, by Aug. H. Stecher Co., 276 Third Street.

A good 16-in. lawn mower, by E. H. Daniels & Co., 276 West Water Street.

A beautiful, large armchair willow rocker, by Waldheim & Co., 407-411 East Water Street.

An elegant fancy vest, by Walter Stroemer, 216 State Street.

A good razor.

\$2.00 cash, by Martin Mies, 875 Kinnickinnic Avenue.

There are many other prizes promised the committee, which will be definitely announced as soon as possible.

In addition, twenty consolation prizes will be offered, making a total of probably forty winnings.

It's dead easy to win one of these forty articles. Here's the number of tickets which secured the prizes last year:

162 tickets won a \$35.00 bicycle.

116 tickets won a fine washing machine.

60 tickets won a good phonograph and six records.

36 tickets won a cuckoo clock.

34 tickets won a beautiful silver fruit basket.

30 tickets won 25 pounds of union made tobacco.

30 tickets won a beautiful oil painting of Karl Marx.

Sure it's easy. Just think of selling only \$1.50 worth of tickets and getting a \$35.00 bicycle! Why, you can pay for every ticket and be money ahead.

Six dollars worth of tickets in return for a \$25 phonograph! Don't lose another minute! Get right into the contest. It's open to everyone! Start now! Call at the office, 344 Sixth Street, to get your supply of tickets.

Above all things, do not forget the date and place of the monster Social-Democratic Picnic—SUNDAY, JULY 12, 1908, afternoon and evening, PABST PARK, Milwaukee.

A QUEER PERFORMANCE.
These excerpts from recent issues of the *Daily News* show a surprising attitude toward the effort to get a charter for Milwaukee that the corporations cannot use against the people. And they are by no means the most savage things the paper has said in discouragement of the work on a suggested new charter.

"The abortive charter 'convention' proceeding has aroused much interest and will no doubt inspire more."

"A convention, especially one named or manipulated by simon pure 'reformers' and proletariats (sic), cannot well exist without money to 'defray' something, usually the burning thirst of faithful heelsers of 'holier than thouism' for a connection with the public udder."

"For, be it known the 'reformers' and proletariats (sic) believe in the gumshoe and the darkness of secrecy and star chamber as a condition precedent to saving the dear people."

"There should be but one answer, and that should be to tell the malformation to go and get a reputation and authority for its existence, then the money will be forthcoming cheerfully."

"Such is the answer every alderman true to his oath of office will make to the purpose of the 'petitioners' formulated, as it was, in error, organized in self-assumption and political concubinage and launched with prayer."

THE CHARTER CONVENTION.
The Social-Democrats are on the following committees:

BERGER—Common Council and Its Powers; Consolidation and Constitutional Amendments; Form and Style.

MELMS—Elections, Officers, Departments, Their Powers and Duties; Condemnation of Land and Special Assessments; Common Council.

HEATH—Elections, Officers, Departments, Their Powers and Duties; Condemnation of Lands and Special Assessments; Consolidation and Constitutional Amendments.

SEIDEL—Finance, Taxation and Excise; Education.

RUMMEL—Accounting, Salaries and Pensions; Parks, Public Grounds, Rivers, Harbors and Bridges and Viaducts; Rules.

WHITNALL—Parks, Public Grounds, Rivers, Harbors, Bridges and Viaducts; Fire and Police Protection; Finance, Taxation and Excise.

GAYLORD—Accounting, Salaries and Pensions; Penal, Charitable and Reformatory Institutions; Initiative, Referendum, Proportional Representation and Recall.

THOMPSON—Public Utilities; Civil Service; Form and Style.

WEBER—Public Works, Labor and Contracts; Health and Sanitation.

SHEEHAN—Health and Sanitation; Penal, Charitable and Reformatory Institutions.

JESKE—Parks, Public Grounds, Rivers, Harbors, Bridges and Viaducts; Rules.

FEELEY—Initiative, Referendum, Proportional Representation and Recall; Penal, Charitable and Reformatory Institutions.

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HANDLEY—Public Works, Labor and Contracts; Fire and Police Protection.

ELSNER—Law Committee; Courts.

WELCH—Civil Service; Education.

DIETZ—Courts; Public Utilities.

In the make-up of the committees of the charter convention the following Social-Democrats got chairmanship: Melms, Whitnall, Seidel, Gaylord, Weber and Berger. The following were merely placed on committees: Heath, Rummel, Welch, Jeske, Sheehan, Handley, Feeley, Elsner, Thompson and Dietz.

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Town Topics by the Town Crier

LATEST!

E. V. Debs, our candidate for President, has positively been secured as our speaker at the big Picnic, Sunday, July 12, in Pabst Park.

This is the time for the asphalt trust to make hay while the Rose shines.

John I. Beggs doesn't have to give his opinion of the charter convention. Dave Rose and the Nates are looking after the corporation interests.

Says the Free Press: "Dave" apparently thinks that the "menace of Socialism" argument is a good one to tie to permanently."

That's the game, clear enough.

City Atty. Kelly seems to be the most unconvalescent sore-head in Milwaukee at the present time. His latest attempt to get even is a jesuitical knock at the charter convention.

The Westminster League certainly hit the nail on the head, last Thursday night, when it characterized the mayor's suddenly sprung consolidation plan as a politician's effort to block the interest in the charter convention.

It is reported that the 3-cent car line on Sixth Street is preparing to sprinkle between its tracks. The Beggs outfit doesn't have to, thanks to the dilatoriness of City Atty. Kelly.

The daily attacks of the *Daily News* upon the principle of proportional representation and its sneers at the charter convention because workmen are in it, do not accord very well with its claim to being a workman's newspaper.

If Jos. McC Bell, resident of Grand Avenue, and secretary of the so-called Voters' League, were a member of the charter convention now, would he expect to put in a bill for his valuable services? (Bell will get even for this item by scoring Heath in his next Voters' League report. Watch and see!)

The *Sentinel* professes to fear the possibility of the Social-Democrats getting a "Socialist charter." The editor says:

"No greater calamity could befall the city than a charter embodying the cardinal doctrines of Socialism."

This is a highly amusing fear, and we almost suspect that the Socialist bogey is being raised in the hope that everything anti-corporation

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Men's White 15c Balbriggan Underwear, only... 25c
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Men's Ribbed Cotton Union Suits, 100 value... 79c
Men's 12 1/2c Fast-Black Cotton Socks, per pair... 8c
Men's Black Cotton Socks, white feet, per pair 12 1/2c
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Men's figured, striped and checked Madras Shirts, also plaid White Shirts... 1.00

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Crisp-Finished 45-in. Black Voiles, 1.00 values, at... 59c
54-in. Black Broadcloth for coats, 1.25 value, at... 79c
85c quality French Batiste, 42 inches wide, Monday... 59c

Sheet Music

The most popular and classic sheet music always at cut prices. These specials for Monday, June 1st

At 5c COPY

Sweet Potatoes,
Charity Waltz,
Moonlight Kisses,
Geraldine Waltzes,
Smilflower—three-step.

AT 9c COPY

There Is Something Nice About You,
Golden Lilies, Dolly Dear,
Because I'm Married Now
Pickles and Peppers.

A STUBBORN now on
CINDERELLA sale in
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Department—second floor

Black Taffeta Silks One-Third Off!

Examples of Wonderful Saving Possibilities for Monday, June 1st

TAFETAS—the most popular Silk. On Monday a 5,000-yard sale that will mark the lowest prices of the year on these smart, much-wanted Silks. Our wonderful Silk selling is and has always been the talk of the trade.

Muslin Underwear

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Women's Bleached Muslin Drawers, open style only, tucked flounce... 15c
Women's Bleached 75c Muslin Under-skirts with tucked flounce, only... 48c

KNIT UNDERWEAR—MAIN FLOOR

Women's Sleeveless Ribbed Cotton Vests, with lace yokes, sizes 4 to 6... 15c
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Soft Kilt-Finished Fine Chambray Taffeta Silk, black, 175 quality, 36 inches wide... 1.18

Red-Edge Black Taffeta Silk, 36 inches wide, a reliable silk for all dress purposes... 88c

The best 100 quality Chiffon-Finished Black Taffeta Silk, 32 inches wide, priced... 68c

The popular Trojan Brand Black Taffeta Silk, 36 inches wide, special 1.50 quality... 98c

Chiffon-Finished Dress Taffeta, 34 inches wide, good black, instead of 1.10, Monday... 78c

Neckwear, Veilings

Women's assorted 15c Stock Collars, all the newest styles, choice... 7c

Assorted new Plain and Fancy Veilings, in all colors, 35c values... 15c

Women's Handkerchiefs, embroidery and lace trimmed, 15c values, choice... 5c

Heavy quality 6-in. plain All-Silk Taffeta Ribbon, in all colors, per yard... 19c

No. 1 1/2 Satin Taffeta Ribbon in all colors, 20c pieces (10 yds.) Monday at... 15c

Hosiery

A highly interesting sale.

Women's Oxford Gray Cotton Hose, heavy 12 1/2c quality, pair... 9c

Special value Women's Silk Lisle Hose, in all sizes, per pair on Monday... 25c

Children's Fine Ribbed Cotton Hose—tan and brown shades—all sizes from 5 to 9 1/2, any size, per pair... 15c

Infants' Fine Ribbed Lisle Thread Hose, black and the wantable new colors, pair... 19c

The above numbers are all standard makes. You have never seen prices like these on them.

We Give 2 1/2 Per Cent. Trading Stamps With Each 10c Purchase. Either "Sperry" Gold Merchandise Stamps or "S. & H." Green Premium Stamps—the Best of Both Kinds

Carpets, Rugs, Lace Curtains, Beds and Bedding at Prices That Haven't Been Reached in Years!

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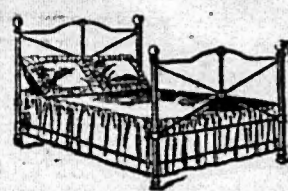
Reversible 15.00 Smyrna 5.50
Rugs, 9x12 ft.
Reversible 9x12 ft. All-Wool Smyrna Rugs... 10.50
New 24.00 Brussels Rugs, 10-6x12 ft., floral and oriental patterns... 17.50
New floral patterns of 27.50 Wilton Velvet Rugs, 10-6x12 ft... 21.50
Seamless 9x12 Brussels Rugs, new floral and medallion patterns... 17.00
18.00 Brussels Rugs, size 9x12 ft., new oriental patterns, Monday... 13.50
49c Ingrain Carpets, new patterns... 32c
3-ply All-Wool Ingrain Carpets, worth 98c per yard, at... 79c
Wilton Rugs, size 8-3x10-6, new patterns of 35.00 values, at... 26.50

Washable Suits

DRESS GOODS AND DRESS SKIRTS

There's just enough for a day's lively selling. If we could only show you these models you'd say we did not need to extol their beauty—they speak for themselves:

Women's Washable Linen Suits in all colors, semi-fitted coat with button trimming, gored skirt with straps... 6.50
Women's White and Tan Linen Suits, fitted or semi-fitted coats with cutaway front, gored skirt with two folds... 8.00
Women's Linen Dress Skirts—tan and Copenhagen blue—gored or plaited, with folds and covered buttons... 1.75
Women's White Linen Dress Skirts, side plait and narrow gores, with or without folds, Monday... 1.50
Women's White Lawn Dresses, Princess style, trimmed with lace and inserting, full skirt with tucks... 6.00
Women's Shirt Waist Suits—striped and plain colors—tucked waist with Gibson shoulders, full skirt... 4.50
Children's White Lawn Dresses, large sailor collar trimmed with lace and inserting, full skirt... 1.25
Children's White Lawn and Dotted Mill Dresses, large collar, trimmed with lace and inserting, or plain and fancy lace trimmings... 1.98
Children's Striped Figured Lawn Dresses, trimmed with embroidery, full skirt with fold, sizes 8 to 14... 3.50



Enameled Iron Beds—blue white or green—fancy scroll designs, at... 2.50
Assorted new 5.00 Enameled Iron Beds, all sizes, on Monday... 3.98
All-Brass Beds, reinforced with steel, bright or satin-finished new 20.00 beds, at only... 15.50
Satin-finished 25.00 All-Brass Beds, with 2-in. post, door knob tops... 18.50
Reg. 2.00 Double Woven Wire Bed Springs... 1.19
New 1.00 pencil-weave Wire Bed Springs, only... 2.19
Our 9.50 Elastic Cotton Felt Mattresses, new designs art ticking, made in two parts, Monday... 7.75
Our 6.50 Combination Mattresses, filled with best eastern husk and fine white felt, good quality sateen ticking covering, made in one or two parts, Monday... 4.98
Summer-weight new 2.00 Comforters, fine white fluffy cotton filling, silkline covering, only... 1.35

Wash Fabrics

ANOTHER GREAT SALE—TREMENDOUS VALUE GIVING

Extraordinary buying advantages have come to us during the past week, and there is not a single instance where saving is not reflected in our prices for this sale.

Linen-Finished Plain White Smiting—same as antecloth 12 1/2c quality, 34 inches wide, Monday... 8c
The Genuine Auto Cloth, 38 inches wide, most stores ask 19c for the same quality, here on Monday at... 12c
Mercerized Imported White Swisses, embroidered figures, 39c qualities... 25c
High-Grade Imported White Swisses, with embroidered figures, dots, checks and stripes, values up to 75c, priced... 49c
The new 19c Colonial Madras, 32 inches wide, mostly medium blue grounds in neat checks or stripes, Monday... 12c
Plain Colored Mercerized Chambrays, fast colors, suitable for suits or dresses, 28 inches wide, 18c quality... 11c
New 25c Novelty Smiting—plain colored grounds—white woven checks with embroidered figures in contrasting colors... 16c
The best 15c quality White Ground Percales, 36 inches wide, neat black figures, dots or stripes, for suits or shirtwaists... 10c
Plain Colored Voiles, 30 inches wide, for summer dresses, 19c value... 12c



Many choice new designs of 1.50 white Lace Curtains, per pair... 98c
Arabian Soutache Curtains, new designs, made on an excellent quality French net, per pair... 3.50
Cluny Curtains, mounted on the best double-thread French net, 48 inches wide, per pair... 2.75
White and Arabian Cluny Curtains, with wide inserting and lace edge, best 5.00 values, pair... 3.65
Ruffled Bobbinet Curtains, with lace inserting and edge, 2 1/2 yds. long, bound ready to ship on rod, pair... 1.25
Extra quality Cable Net Curtains, very desirable, showy patterns, assorted 5.00 values, per pair... 3.98
Choice new patterns of 48 and 50-in. wide White Lace Curtains, pair... 2.25

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can be kept out of the new charter. The cardinal principles of Socialism have been stated as "the collective ownership of the means of production and distribution." How that could be embodied in a city charter is past our ken.

We are glad to see the sheriff's auto put to good use. A committee of the county board that had to inspect a lot of sites round the county sent in an order for the machine, on the ground that it really belonged to the county, and got it.

The *Sentinel* has discovered that a new history that the superintendent of schools wants introduced to displace the one now in use contains misstatements of history on minor points, and one slip in which Wisconsin is naturally interested—it ignores the claim of Ripon to having been the birthplace of the Republican party and gives the honor to some little place in Michigan. We fear this is not the only book for school use that ignores Wisconsin. Most of those we have

looked through, geographies or histories, are full of that same sort of thing. Milwaukee has always been overshadowed by Chicago and has continually suffered as a result. And Wisconsin along with it. It is not so many decades ago when a big map of Wisconsin hung in the different school buildings on which the Chicago sleeping place known as Evanston was represented as larger in area than Milwaukee. It is very seldom that a school geography contains much more than a passing notice of this city, and whenever it is given pictorial treatment the "View of Milwaukee" is generally a view of some residence locality that is wholly misleading and meaningless.

Now that our school board is preparing to make sweeping changes in the school books—nearly half the books to be declared "no good" and parents forced to buy different ones—is a good time for the parents of Milwaukee to finally make up their minds upon the subject of free school books as advocated by the Social-Democrats. It is fun for some of them, perhaps, to be constantly forced to buy new books, but there ought to be a vast majority that are thoroughly disgusted with the whole business.

Says Dave Rose: "I maintain that the legislature cannot, under the constitution, enact a new charter for this or any other city."

Therewith Dave Rose sets himself above the legislature. But he constitutes himself the Supreme Court and goes on:

"The legislature may enact a general law, applicable to all cities of a certain class. It may enact a charter for all cities of the first class, if it will, which would include the city of Milwaukee, but it would be a general enactment as much for the benefit of any other city of the first class as for Milwaukee, if there is or shall be such, and any appropriation made by this city would be as much for the benefit of any other city of the first class as for its own benefit. In

other words, we would thereby be making appropriations for the benefit of other cities of our class."

True, there is now no other city of our class, but no one can tell how soon there may be.

We are framing a charter now, in 1908, not in A. D. 2008, when there will be more than one city of the first class in Wisconsin.

Why should we in 1908 refuse to pay the legitimate expenses of such a convention, even if Dave Rose were right?

Dave says furthermore: "My contention is that if the legislature wishes advice and for that purpose creates an 'advisory board' to aid in the enactment of a general law, then the expenses of that 'advisory board' must be paid out of the general fund of the state from the state treasury."

But Dave overlooks that thereby he would make the farmers of the state and the people of all the other cities, towns and villages, pay the expenses for Milwaukee's charter convention.

Would that be right?

The papers report that A. D. Agnew has said that if he could do so gracefully he would retire from the charter convention. This, of course, because of the attack of Rose on the convention. But Mr. Agnew is over-sensitive. A gentleman naturally thinks of taking a gentlemanly course when attacked in an ungentlemanly way, but Mr. Agnew must realize that in taking part in public life he is not entirely

thrown among gentlemen. He must shape his conduct accordingly, for the work in the charter convention is a question of service, not of personal likes and dislikes. He seems to have made the mistake of supposing that Rose was to some extent a gentleman. But he is not a gentleman in any sense of the word. He is a political desperado.

The fight between LaFollette and Congressman Cary's press agent moved along another lap this week when LaFollette got through a measure to probe the telegraph and telephone companies. The senator does his legislating inside of congress whilst Milwaukee's misfit congressman does his in the newspapers by means of a busy private secretary.

The "Rev." Thomas Barr, preacher for the corporations in Milwaukee, says Socialism is an eminent peril—and that is true, for the corporations. And Barr, being sustained by corporation donations, naturally feels uneasy about it. Barr is a blasphemy on the very name of the great agitator he pretends to represent.

The citizen is dull indeed who cannot see the sly hand of the corporations in the effort to discredit the charter convention in advance. It is simply one step in the long fight of the people against their corporation oppressors.

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CHICAGO COMING!

Comrade Bistorius, of the picnic committee, has just received a letter from G. T. Fraenkel, of Local Cook County (Chicago), in which he states that the invitation to attend the Milwaukee party picnic at Pabst Park, July 12, has been duly accepted, provided the proper boat arrangements for the excursion can be made.

Attorney Daniel W. Hoan has removed his law office to 602-606 Wells Building.

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